

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
(Case No 05-1051-B5; (EX04-037-US))

In the Application of:)
Song *et al.*)
Serial No.: 10/556,938) Examiner: Carlson, Karen C.
Filing Date: February 23, 2007) Group Art Unit: 1656
For: RANBP2 as Modifiers of the PTEN/IGF) Confirmation No. 7049
Pathway and Methods of Use)

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the restriction requirement mailed on November 13, 2008, in the above-mentioned application. Applicants submit herewith a petition for a five month extension of time and the appropriate fee. It is believed that no further fee is due in connection with this filing. However, if a fee is due the Commissioner is authorized to charge our deposit account 13-2490.

With respect to the restriction requirement, Applicants hereby elect with traverse Group II, allegedly drawn to a method for identifying PTEN/IGF pathway modulating agents using a nucleic acid encoding RANBP2 which can further comprise a second assay system comprising cultured cells for prosecution on the merits. The claims readable thereon are claims 1-3, 6, 8-12, 16, 18 and 19. Applicants note that only claims 16, 18, and 19 recite the use of a second assay system.

If the Examiner has any questions regarding this response, she is invited to call the undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,

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